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In re Application of: THOMAS G. )  
HOUMAN, RICHARD B. STEVENS, )  
THERESA A. FULTS and TIMOTHY G. )  
KENNY )

Serial No. 09/716,392

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For: ABUSE RESISTANT SKIM  
COATING COMPOSITION

Examiner: CALLIE E. SHOSHO

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AMENDMENT A

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 1, 2002, please amend the  
above-identified case as follows:

**In the claims:**

Please cancel claims 2, 3, and 14 - 17, without prejudice.

Please rewrite claims 1 and 4 - 12, as follows:

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1. (AMENDED) A self-gauging coating composition  
comprising from about 3 to 10% by weight of a resin binder in which there